# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING - VIDEO OPEN SESSION September 22, 2015 ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD Chicago, ILLINOIS

NOTE: ITEMS IN BOLDFACE PRINT REFLECT OFFICIAL BOARD ACTIONS

On Tuesday, September 22, 2015 a Regular Meeting - Video of the Illinois Gaming Board ("Board") was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor at 160 N. LaSalle at the Michael J. Bilandic Building, Chicago, Illinois. The Open Session on Video Gaming started at approximately 9:31 A.M. Present were Chairman Don Tracy, Members Lee Gould, Hector Alejandre and Member Dunn participated via telephone.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS -**

The Administrator stated that there were 5,106 locations up and running with a total of 21,431 active VGT's.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Open Session

Member Alejandre moved that **the Board approve the open session minutes of its Regular Meeting of August 25, 2015**. Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

### **BOARD POLICY ITEMS (amendment of video gaming rules sections)**

Acting Deputy General Counsel Paul Prezioso addressed the Board.

Mr. Chairman, members of the Board. Section 78 of the Video Gaming Act gives the Illinois Gaming Board rulemaking authority over video gaming. The Board's legal staff is hereby submitting a proposal to amend the video gaming rules.

The proposed rulemaking amends video gaming Rule 260 to prohibit licensed terminal handlers and licensed technicians from playing video gaming terminals. As you know, licensed technicians are licensed to repair, service, and maintain VGTs, and licensed terminal handlers are licensed to possess or control VGTs and to have access to their inner workings.

The rulemaking also amends video gaming Rule 430 to prohibit a Person with Significant Influence or Control of a terminal operator from playing video gaming terminals at a location with which the terminal operator has entered into a use agreement.

Finally, the rulemaking amends video gaming Rule 270 by requiring video gaming terminals to be played only during business hours when the location is open for business or, in the case of licensed fraternal establishments and licensed veterans establishments, when the location is generally open to the membership.

The changes made by this rulemaking are intended to further ensure the integrity of video gaming in Illinois.

**Member Gould** moved to amend Sections 260, 430 and 270 of the Board's Rules on video gaming by authorizing staff to submit a proposal for First Notice Filing with the Secretary of State upon final review and approval by the Administrator. **Member Dunn seconded the motion.** The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

# **TERMINAL OPERATOR ITEMS: (License Renewals)**

### **Bell Gaming LLC**

Member Gould moved to renew the Terminal Operator license of Bell Gaming, LLC for a period of one year, set to expire in September 2016. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

## **GEM-SPV, LLC**

Member Gould moved to renew the Terminal Operator license of GEM-SPV, LLC for a period of one year, set to expire in September 2016. Member Dunn seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

#### DSG Amusement, LTD.

Member Gould moved to deny the renewal of Terminal Operator license of DSG Amusement, LTD as it has not established that it remains suitable to be a licensed terminal operator. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

### **TECHNICIAN & TERMINAL HANDLER LICENSEE ITEMS:**

# **Member Gould** moved to approve:

Terminal Handler Licenses 31

**Technician Licenses 0** 

And authorize the Administrator to issue notices of denial to the following Applicants:

- Ryan Thomas Millikan
- Michael Moore
- Jason Rivera
- Christopher Kokott

Member Dunn seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

# **VIDEO GAMING LOCATION LICENSEE ITEMS:**

### **Video Gaming Location License Approvals & Denials**

Member Gould moved to approve 101 Video Gaming Location Licenses and authorize the Administrator to issue notices of denial to the following applicants:

- Quincy Post No. 37, The American Legion, Department of Illinois d/b/a Quincy Post No. 37, The American Legion, Department of Illinois
- Meranda Ashby d/b/a Crazy 8's Billiards and Bar
- Dynamite Management Company d/b/a The Locker Room
- The Baron Bar & Grill, Inc. d/b/a The Remedy Pub
- Graham Enterprises of Central Illinois, LLC d/b/a Springfield Racquet & Fitness Center
- Centerville Station LLC d/b/a Centerville Station

Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Hometown, Illinois Locations

Member Gould moved to authorize the Administrator to issue notices of denial to: Bella's Hometown, LLC d/b/a Bella's (License Number 150702130); Gigi's Hometown, LLC d/b/a Gigi's (License Number 150702118); and TC Pub 5 Inc. (License Number 150702447). Member Dunn seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

# ADMINISTRATIVE REQUESTS FOR HEARING, REQUESTS TO REAPPLY

#### **Requests for Hearing**

#### Jones Plaza, LLC

**Member Alejandre** moved to rescind the notice of denial issued at the August 2015 Board Meeting and grant Jones Plaza, LLC an establishment license, and to deny the Request for Hearing as moot. **Member Gould seconded the motion.** The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

#### **Mick Martin**

**Member** Alejandre moved to rescind the notice of denial issued at the July 2015 Board Meeting and grant Mick Martinez a terminal handler license, and to deny the Request for Hearing as moot. **Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.** 

#### **Brandon Eller**

Member Alejandre moved to rescind the notice of denial issued at the July 2015 Board Meeting and grant Brandon Eller a terminal handler license and to deny the Request for Hearing as moot. Member Gould seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

### Springfield Pub, Inc.

Chairman Tracy moved to grant the hearing request for Springfield Pub, Inc. as it has established a prima facie case for hearing. Member Dunn seconded the motion. Members Gould and Alejandre voted No. The motion did not pass.

### **Fox Gaming LLC**

Member Gould moved to deny the hearing request from Fox Gaming, LLC. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Requests to Reapply

**Member Gould** moved to grant the requests to reapply from Scooters Bar, LLC and La Isla Tropical Restaurant, LLC. **Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.** 

# **DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:**

Licensed establishments that allowed underage person to play video gaming terminals.

Member Gould moved to issue a Disciplinary Complaint to revoke the Establishment License of:

P.G. Pub, Inc. d/b/a Fair Haven Lanes and Gregg's Olde Town Tap Inc. d/b/a Gregg's Olde Town Tap

for violating the Video Gaming Act and the Board's Rules by allowing persons under 21 to play a video gaming terminals, said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint unless an Answer is properly filed or fine of \$25,000 is paid within that timeframe. **Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.** 

Licensed establishments that failed to answer or pay a Board issued fine

Venice Properties Inc. d/b/a Venice Food Mart

**Member Gould** moved to issue a Disciplinary Complaint to revoke the establishment license of Venice Properties Inc. due to its failure to timely renew its State of Illinois liquor license and pay a fine issued by the Board, said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. **Member Dunn seconded the motion.** The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Terminal Handler misconduct

Juan Rodriguez and Edwin Sanchez

**Member Gould** moved to issue a Disciplinary Complaint to revoke the terminal handler licenses of Juan Rodriguez and Edwin Sanchez, said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service

of the Complaint unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. **Member Alejandre seconded the motion.** The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Chicago Gaming Distributors, LLC

Member Gould moved to issue a Disciplinary Complaint to revoke the Terminal Operator License of Chicago Gaming Distributors, LLC for violating the Video Gaming Act and the Board's Rules, said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dunn seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

At 9:58 A.M. Member Gould motioned to adjourn and Member Dunn seconded the motion. All Members voted in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary C. Boruta Secretary to the Administrator